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Memo for DCI from Giller A/DDR

Subj: Summary of the NRO Satellite Recon Program

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Att. [redacted] from Charyk contains a good description of present NRO satellite recon program. Termination of Program [redacted] (201) described in last para first page is a step in the right direction. We would have some doubt as to the value of the experiment proposed in this para.

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The CORONA J system is scheduled to replace the MURAL system in March of 1963. Requires successful development of thrust-assisted THOR. Since basic THOR unit is capable of being employed in its original mode, we will always have sufficient boosters and MURAL cameras to provide continuing recon capability until the J and LANYARD systems are opnl. The scheduled US production of THOR's is 4 a month of which the NRO will use approximately 2 per month.